

**Nazareth ISD BOE
Regular Meeting
February 14, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by President Jenny Schulte at 7:36 p.m. Other members present were Vice President Alan Birkenfeld, Secretary Jennifer Heiman, Mitchell Brockman, Marty Gerber, Keith Hoelting, and Allison Kleman. Also present was Principal Robert O'Connor and Superintendent Dr. Kara Sue Garlitz. The prayer was led by Jennifer, the pledge by Alan and the mission statement was read by Marty.

Kevin Telchik with Stephens, Stephens & Telchik presented the annual audit report for 2022-2023. Mitchell made a motion to accept the report as presented. Alan seconded the motion and it passed 7-0. Mr. Telchik exited the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

President Schulte opened the 2022 Texas Academic Performance Report Hearing, TAPR, at 7:54 p.m. The public hearing finished at 8:13 p.m. The TAPR report is available through the superintendent's office.

Under the Principal's Reports, Mr. O'Connor included enrollment/attendance information, a calendar of upcoming events, an academic update, and a Nazareth School Recognition which included an Art Walk to see all the projects on display in the hallway. Part of the recognition was School Board Appreciation posters, art, and coasters with snacks prepared by the Culinary Arts classes.

Dr. Garlitz presented the Superintendent Report, which included the regular reports of District's current bills, financial reports, cash flow and investment report, Pledged Securities, Castro CAD monthly tax collection, facilities and operations, transportation, and personnel. It also included administrative changes to the 2023-2024 School Calendar, the order for our upcoming BOE election in May 2024, the upcoming Region 16 Board of Directors Election Notice, , a review of investment policy CDA(LEGAL) and CDA(LOCAL), and upcoming training opportunities.

Approval of the check lists and financial reports will be considered under the Consent Agenda. Cash flow and investments were presented. The pledged securities with Peoples Bank were reported and presented. Castro County Appraisal District reported that 79.94% of current M&O taxes and 79.97% of current I&S taxes have been collected. Dr. Garlitz gave an update on facilities and operation, transportation, and debt services.

Important dates for the upcoming School Board Election for May 4, 2024 were discussed. Two positions, or terms, currently held by Keith Hoelting and Jenny Schulte are up for this election. The deadline to apply for a position is Friday, February 16, 2024.

The annual review of the investment policy, CDE(LEGAL & LOCAL) was conducted.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the financial reports, current check payment lists, the administrative changes to the school calendar, ordering the Board Election, appointing election judge and clerks, and the EC Literature and Math Plans and CCMR Plan Review was made by Marty. The motion was seconded by Keith, and the motion carried 7-0.

Keith made a motion to extend Mr. Robert O'Connor a term 12-month, two-year contract 2024-2026 at step 9 of the board adopted principal's salary schedule. The motion was seconded by Marty, and the motion passed 7-0.

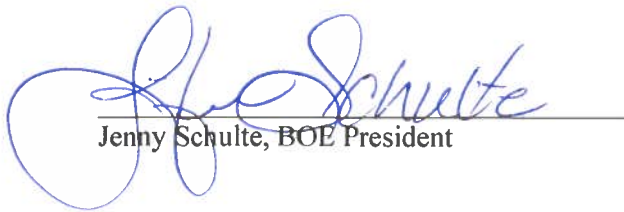
After discussion of tuition rates for transfer students, Jenny made the motion to set the tuition rate at \$350 per semester for 2024-2025. The motion was seconded by Marty, and the motion passed 7-0.

After discussion of tuition rates for PK, Alan made the motion to set the tuition rate at \$450 per month for full-day and \$200 per month for half-day for 2024-2025. The motion was seconded by Marty, and the motion passed 7-0.

After discussion of SB 763, Mitchell made the following motion, "I move that Nazareth ISD does not permit a district campus to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain to provide support, services, and programs for students at this time." The motion was seconded by Jenny, and the motion carried 7-0.

Time was provided for closing comments or further questions.

Alan made a motion and Keith seconded it to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:58 p.m.



Jenny Schulte, BOE President



Jennifer Heiman, BOE Secretary

**Resolution of the Nazareth ISD Board of Trustees
to Employ or Accept as Volunteers Chaplains**

WHEREAS, Section 23.001 of the Texas Education Code permits the district to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain to provide support, services, and programs for students as assigned by the Board;

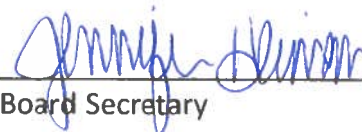
WHEREAS, Senate Bill 763, passed by the 88th Texas Legislature, requires each school board to take a **record vote** between September 1, 2023, and March 1, 2024, on whether to adopt a policy authorizing a campus of the district to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain under Education Code Chapter 23;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Nazareth Independent School District hereby:

Does not permit a district campus to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain to provide support, services, and programs for students at this time.

Adopted this 14th day of February, 2024, by the Board of Trustees.


Board President

Attest: 
Board Secretary